

## **Brownfields Assistance Program**

Department of Neighborhood and Business Development and the Department of Environmental Services  
City of Rochester, NY

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If you're considering buying, selling or redeveloping **property** that needs environmental assessments or cleanup cost estimating there's a City program that can help.

The objective of the **Brownfields Assistance Program (BAP)** is to attract businesses, developers, and investors who can develop and reuse underutilized land, while contributing to the City's economic health.

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Funded under a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency grant, the program provides companies selling or seeking property with financial and technical aid for investigating environmental conditions to help evaluate a project's feasibility.

### **Under the Brownfield Assistance Program The City...**

- Retains environmental consultants to perform pre-remedial site investigations and services;
  - Provides these services to applicants on a favorable cost-sharing basis; and
  - Gives priority to projects that will provide benefits that best reflect the City's economic development and housing goals.
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### **Eligible Activities**

Pre-cleanup activities qualifying for assistance include:

- Environmental assessments, including Phase I & Phase II investigations
- Subsoil and geotechnical investigations
- Cleanup cost estimates
- Concept plans for site cleanup and reuse
- Legal costs associated with the above uses

**Note:** Actual cleanup activities are NOT eligible for BAP assistance.

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